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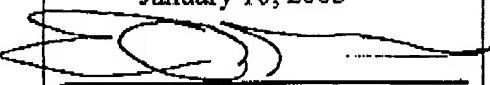
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In re Application of
Chihiro, Araki
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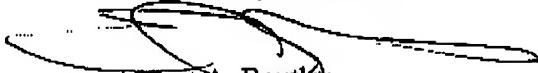
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Dear Sir:

This case was incorrectly held abandoned and after several unanswered requests the undersigned had to resort to the Commissioner's Office for assistance. The case was then reinstated on November 3, 2004, but to date no response from the Examiner has resulted. The undersigned would not like to have to resort to the Commissioner's Office again for assistance, but if some reply is not forthcoming, he will be left with no alternative.

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